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NATIONAL WETLAND POLICY
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to formulate a National Wetland Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the main objectives behind formulating such a policy; and

(d) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) No Sir. The strategy for conservation and management of wetlands is embodied in draft National Environment Policy which envisages putting in place regulatory mechanism for identified valuable wetlands; developing a National Inventory of wetlands; enhanced participation of local communities in conservation strategies, and development of eco tourism strategies among others.